PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY-PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY-PARISH OF LAFAYETTE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 23, 2004.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL: Randy Menard – Chair (District 9), Rob Stevenson – Vice Chair (District 8), Bobby Badeaux (District 1), Dale Bourgeois (District 2), Christopher J. Williams, Ph.D. (District 3), Louis C. Benjamin, Jr. (District 4), Lenwood Broussard (District 5), Bruce Conque (District 6), Marc Mouton (District 7)

ABSENT: None

COUNCIL STAFF: Norma Dugas (Clerk of the Council), Veronica Williams (Assistant Clerk) and Anne Patin (Senior Administrative Assistant)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: L. J. Durel, Jr. (City-Parish President), Dee Stanley (CAO), Becky Lalumia (Associate CAO/Finance Management), Gail Smith (Director of Administrative Services), Mike Hebert (Legal Counsel)

COMMENCEMENT

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(000) AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to order.

Councilmember Randy Menard called the Special Council Meeting of November 23, 2004 to order.

ORDINANCE FOR FINAL ADOPTION

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(001) <u>AGENDA ITEM NO. 2</u>: <u>O-264-2004</u> An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council providing for millage rate adjustments and roll forward of millage rates not to exceed the prior year's maximum for tax year 2004 as allowed by Article VII, Section 23(c) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 and LA. R.S. 47:1705, in the City of Lafayette and the Parish of Lafayette, State of Louisiana, motion to adopt by Mouton, seconded by Benjamin.

The following individual was recognized:

Andrew Hebert asked if this was a tax increase. He also noted that there should be two separate ordinances since the City and the Parish tax are two separate entities or taxing agencies. He then requested that an affidavit (filed in the Clerk of Court office) be entered into the record. *See the attached affidavit*)

In response to Hebert's question regarding a tax increase, Lalumia explained that this ordinance set the millage rates at exactly the same rates that they were last year. How each individual property owner is affected depends on what their property assessment is set at.

Having exhausted the 3-minute rule, Hebert requested more time to speak. There being an objection by Broussard, the Chair called for a vote, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Bourgeois

NAYS: Badeaux, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Conque, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None *Motion failed*.

The Chair then called for a vote on the motion, and the vote was as follows: YEAS: Bourgeois, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Conque, Mouton, Menard

NAYS: Badeaux, Stevenson

ABSENT: None ABSTAIN: None Motion was approved.

ADJOURN

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(069) There being no further business to come before the Council, Chair Menard declared the Special Council Meeting adjourned.

NORMA A. DUGAS, CLERK

LAFAYETTE CITY-PARISH COUNCIL